

H.C. Burleigh Papers

Breakenridge

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Mr. Howard W. Warner, U. E.,
154 Waller St., Ottawa 2, Ont

25 Mar., 1969

Dear Mr. Warner:

I am rather slow in replying to your recent letter. As you may suspect, I receive many such letters, all of which seem to require answers. So, yours having come to the top of my pile of queries, I propose to answer.

Before I begin, I must chide you for your lapses. You enclose your letter to Mrs. Lapp, but fail to send me the other items which you sent her, particularly those items from Vermont cemeteries. I apologize for that last item. I, too, have been snooping in Vermont from time to time, and I copy everything dealing with Loyalists. For instance, in the Bennington museum I copied an item about the Breakenbridges. No doubt you did the same thing. It started with Jacob Breakenridge, giving his children, as well as the children of his son, James, which included the two Loyalist brothers. By the way, the Vermont census of 1790 lists Daniel with a wife, a son and a daughter. If you did not discover the paper in the Museum, let me know.

I am enclosing a list of those children of both David and James who applied for land as children of a Loyalist. It does not coincide with the list in Chadwick's Ontarian Families. However, my list must be right. It gives David, Junior, and reveals his marriage to Rebecca Lawrence. This will do much to clarify the two Davids. The Junior must be the Methodist preacher, and husband of Rebecca.

Although Hester does not appear as daughter of Samuel Wright, Sr., she ~~was~~ undoubtedly was his daughter. She received her grant in 1793, thus belonging to those who were omitted from the list of children because of the early date. I have found others likewise omitted because of the early date of application. I am satisfied that Hester Wright was the wife and mother of the children of David, Sr. I am unhappy because they had no recorded son named for his maternal grandfather. Perhaps one so named died before maturity.

I also enclose information regarding a large volume which I tried to buy in an antique shop in Prince Edward County about 8 years ago. The shop owner was a queer one. I think that he suspected me of being an expert. Actually, I could not buy anything from him. Anything in which I showed an interest was NOT FOR SALE. Perhaps he still has the book. I interpret the data supplied by what I copied to indicate that

James, Sr., died in Vermont shortly before May, 1780, and that it finally came to his son, David, in July, 1789.

I hope that I have helped clear up some of the confusion in your Breakenridge ancestry.

Sincerely

H. C. Darleigh.

Samuel

David Breakenridge = Hester Wright

b 1866-7

d 8.6.1808 ~ 42d yr

John David Mary Janet
11.5.1789 1786 d 1832
~ 37d yr
b 1796

To His Excellency the Governor in Council
181.

The Petition of Hester Breakenridge the
Daughter of Sam^l Wright of Elizabeth
town

Most Humbly Sheweth

That by Virtue of an Order of His Excellency the Governor in Council (of the 9th of November 1707) conceived herself intitled to Two Hundred Acres of Land being Married and the Daughter of Sam^l Wright who joined the Royal Standard before the Treaty of Separation in 1703 ~

And prays it may be granted her

Hester Breakenridge

County of Grenvil
December 17th 1793 ~



N. 100/ 18100

County of Harris
Petition of

Walter Bradburn

Reported page N. 100/

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Petition of Nester Breskenridge

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Loyal Breckenridges.

The family of the Loyal Breckenridges originated in Scotland. Jacob, the first of the name, married in 1720 and later crossed to Ireland, and sailed to America in 1723. He settled in Palmer, ~~Mass~~ in central Massachusetts. His known children were

William

James

George

Francis

The two younger sons remained in Palmer, while the elder sons removed to neighboring Ware, in the Quabbin region. The son, James, married Mary Moore of Ware, and, in 1761, they removed to Bennington, Vermont. ^{with ~~two~~ five children.} Here James became a lieutenant of militia. Their children were

James, born in 1756

William

Francis

David, born in 1763

Jonathan

Daniel

Jeanette Henderson, believed to be wife of David, a Loyalist of Beestard Township.

Isabella Hubbell

Esther Hineman

Mary McNeil.

In the early days of the American Revolution, the eldest son, James, then 21 years of age, offered his services to the British when General Burgoyne approached by way of Lake Champlain. At the same time his brother, Francis, served in Burgoyne's force, but was captured, possibly at the Battle of Bennington. James Breckenridge was employed largely in espionage. For a time, he, with a Sergeant and a Private of the 31st Regiment, in the guise of deserters, were sent to discover the inhabitants of the Province of Quebec who received and protected deserters, rebel



emissaries, spies and disaffected persons in the province. His mission was very successful.

Prior to this time, Major Robert Rogers, the famous leader of Rogers' Rangers during the conquest of Canada, was attempting to recruit a similar unit which he called the Queen's Rangers. This duty Rogers had been given in August 1776. Recruiting continued, under difficulties in Nova Scotia, Maine and adjacent areas, with agents in Quebec City.

The new unit of Queen's Rangers served in the Long Island and New York area. However, irregularities by Rogers eventually deprived him of his command. The Queen's Rangers were ^{commonly} offered by British officers and continued to serve during the war.

Robert Rogers, the famous leader of Rogers' Rangers in the conquest of Canada was without a unit. General Howe found him unwelcome in New York, as did General Haldimand in Canada. It appears that he had visited England. Here he ingratiated himself with General Clinton, successor of General Howe. As a result, on May 1, 1779 Rogers was authorized to raise two battalions in America, to be known as Rogers' King's Rangers. Recruiting was pressed from Nova Scotia, Maine, New Hampshire and in Quebec and northern New York & Vermont. As the area for recruiting was so large, Rogers appointed his brother, James Rogers, as Major in command of the first, or western battalion, King's Rangers with headquarters in the province of Quebec.

James Breakenridge was appointed Captain-Lieutenant in Major Rogers' own Company. He, with the other officers of the Rangers, continued employment largely in espionage, James made many trips to enemy territory on various errands for their headquarters at Old Sorelle, near Quebec City. By March, in the following year, their regiment removed to St John in the Richelieu River where they became a part of its garrison.

On June 5, 1780, David Breakenridge, James' younger brother, then aged 17, arrived at St John from Vermont, requesting that he be allowed to consult with his brother regarding enlistment. As a result, David was appointed Ensign in Capt. Henry Butler's Company of the King's Rangers.



composed of four companies and 183 men

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The Kings Rangers remained as part of the garrison of St John for the remaining years of the war. But there were far more interesting and dangerous duties. Companies of the Rangers participated in several raids into enemy territory along the upper lakes Champlain and George and the several forts along the upper Hudson River. Espionage and recruiting parties were ~~always~~ continually coming or going.

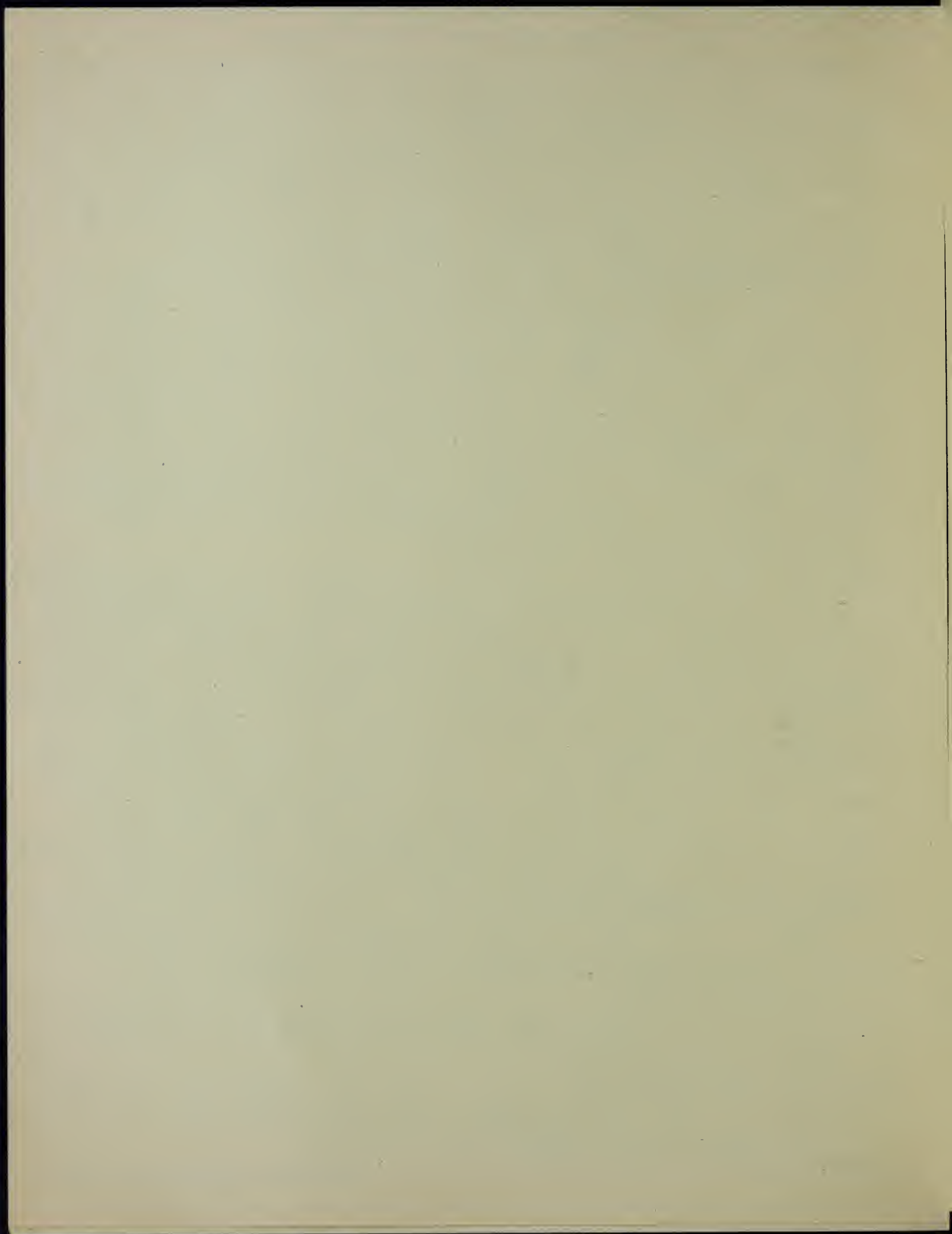
In the early days of the Kings Rangers the dress of the men must have been nondescript, unless they dressed in typical buckskin, as had Rogers Rangers of earlier days. Gradually, however a semblance of a uniform took shape when the men all wore blanket coats through the rigors of winter. Finally by February, 1782, the ~~battalions~~ ^{men} were all clothed in green cloth coats and breeches (woolen for winter and linen for summer) with red facings; linen shirts; stockings; moccasins (two pair); black tri-cornered cocked hats; and the sergeants wore the British regulation cut suit with right-shoulder strap designation of rank.

James Breakenridge, Major Rogers' Captain-Lieutenant continued to be employed in recruiting and espionage. He was, however, of a fiery temper and frequently was at odds with the Commandant at St. John, and seems to have irked Major Rogers. He was often employed on repeated scouting into Vermont and in carrying messages to and from the officials of Vermont. He became involved in a serious quarrel with the son of Dr. George Smyth which came to blows, in a Court of Inquiry both Dr. George & James made charges and a host of witnesses were called. For the good of the service the principals were cleared of all charges. James Breakenridge was no longer employed as a spy. Anyone wishing to delve further in the activities of James Breakenridge during this period may find his journal to be found in Vol A-184 of the Haldeman papers, as well as frequent references in B-182, B-176, 177 & 178.

Peace came in 1783 and on Dec. 24 of that year, the Kings Rangers were disbanded.

Early in 1783, Capt.-Lt. James Breakenridge addressed the following letter to his Officer Commanding.

St John 18 March 1783



Sir -

I having rec'd a Letter from one of my Brothers, acquainting me of my father's being in a very ill state of health asking "to go as a flag that I may have the happiness of seeing my Dear father before he leaves this world

J. Breckenridge,

Without a doubt this request was granted and James made his farewell visit to his father. It appears that the old man died shortly thereafter,

Peace arrived in the same year and on Dec 24, on a happy ~~New Years~~ Eve, the King's Rangers were disbanded. The unit remained in St. John, awaiting the arrival of Spring. During the winter the Loyalist refugees were given the privilege of deciding where they would settle with the coming of Spring. It was the desire of the authorities to settle the units as a group, mainly to ease the great difficulties ahead

James Breckenridge, the Captain-Lieutenant of the King's Rangers settled in Elizabethtown Township (Brockville) while his younger brother David settled in the adjacent Township of Augusta. A third brother, Francis, who had joined Burgoyne in 1777 and was captured ^{had been} ^{a short time later} came to Upper Canada in 179 and settled in the Home District

Hester

David - Warner book p. 10
James " " " p. 10

James Breckenridge, the Captain-Lieutenant of Rogers' King's Rangers, settled in Elizabethtown



Grants - Elizabethtown

lot 19	Cone 3	James Breakenridge	all	2000	17-5-1802
" 9	" 4	"	"	"	"
" 19	" 4	"	"	"	"
" 20	" 4	"	N $\frac{3}{4}$	"	"
" 29	" 9	"	all	"	"

among the first settlers here were
 Lt. James Breakenridge

The sad part of the Breakenridge story has to do with an
 ancient tome, published in 1684, which belonged to the
 late James Breakenridge who died on the 10th of April, 1783,
 less than month after his son James. by a flag of truce, made
 his last visit to his father

this book, whose title page ^{enlabeled} ~~informs us~~ that

The Theory of the Earth: Containing
 an Account of the Original of the
 Earth and all the General
 Changes which it hath already
 undergone

or

As To Undergo
 Till the Consummation of all Things

London

Printed by R. Norton for Walter
 Kettilby at the Bishops Head in
 S. Paul's Church - Yard 1684

at the top of the page is this notation



An ^{seventeenth} century book has been going the rounds
of antique shop & second-hand book-store in the Bay of
Quinte region. Like a strayed child looking for its parents,
it still remains far from the home of its former owners, and
remains on a bookshelf in a quiet home because of its age, or,
~~the~~ perhaps, its subject matter.

It bears this inscription on its title page.

The Theory of the Earth: Containing
an Account of the Original of the
Earth and all the General
Changes which it hath already
Undergone

or

To The Undergo,

Till the Consummation of all Things

The Two First Books
Concerning The Deluge
and
Concerning Paradise

London

Printed by R. Norton for Walter
Kettilby at the Bishops Head in
S. Pauls Church-yard 1684

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254(2.)
366
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The book plate reads
Kenneth McKenzie Picton Ont
with the notation that it had been
Rebound April 1880
by W. J. Gage & Co. Toronto



Bennington May 1784
Rec^d from my father's estate
David Breakenridge

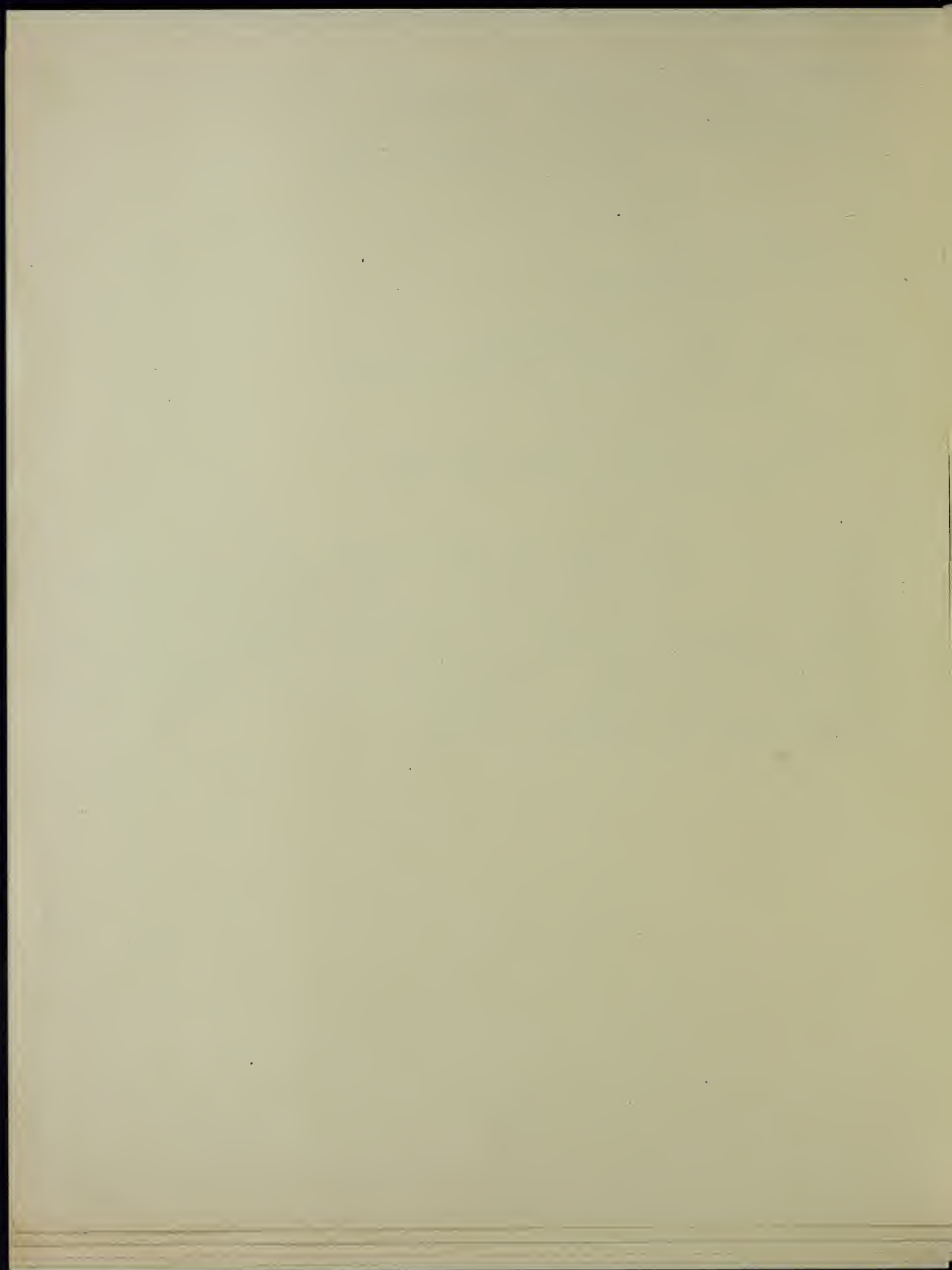
Ejus Libre

Jan^y 19 1789
Elizabethtown

A name plate is inscribed
Kenneth McKenzie, Pictou, Ont.

Rebound April 1880
by W. J. Gage & Co. Toronto.

This ancient Tome has gone the rounds since it was published in 1684. How it came in the hands of James Breakenridge is unknown. In 1784 it passed, by will, to his son David Breakenridge. It appears to have possibly passed into the hands of his daughter, Elizabeth, who married John Douglass of Hallowell, Prince Edward County.



a further inscription ~~on~~ reveals the original owner

Bennington May 1784

Rec^d. from my father's Estate.

David Breckenridge

Ex^{us} Lib^{re}

Jan^y 19 1789 Elizabethtown

and his brother

David Breckenridge was one of the two sons of James ~~Breckenridge~~ ^{Breckenridge} who were pioneer settlers and United Empire Loyalists who settled in Elizabethtown (Brockville) Township in 1784. Both had joined the King's Rangers, under the command of Major James Rogers, and became officers in the Regiment.

born about 1721

Then father James Breckenridge, of Scottish origin, emigrated to America from Northern Ireland and settled in Bennington Vermont. He died there April 10, 1783, leaving, with others, two sons James & David, as noted above.

James



Engr

David Breakenridge = Hester
of Augusta
a 43 = 1806
b 1763

John L. Read = Janet
d 1832 in 37th year
OC. 26 Mar 1817

Eleg

25 Jan 1859

Wm Warner = Ann Read
b. June 1 1832
d Dec 29, 1918
b Nov 16, 1827
d Apr 12 1914

John = 17.9.1864 Elizabeth Salome Gleason
1863 18.10.1865 d. 11.8.1933

Willard Warner = 19.6.1907 Anne Grace Throop
17.6 1886 2.1.1884

Howard Willard
b 9 Mar 1908

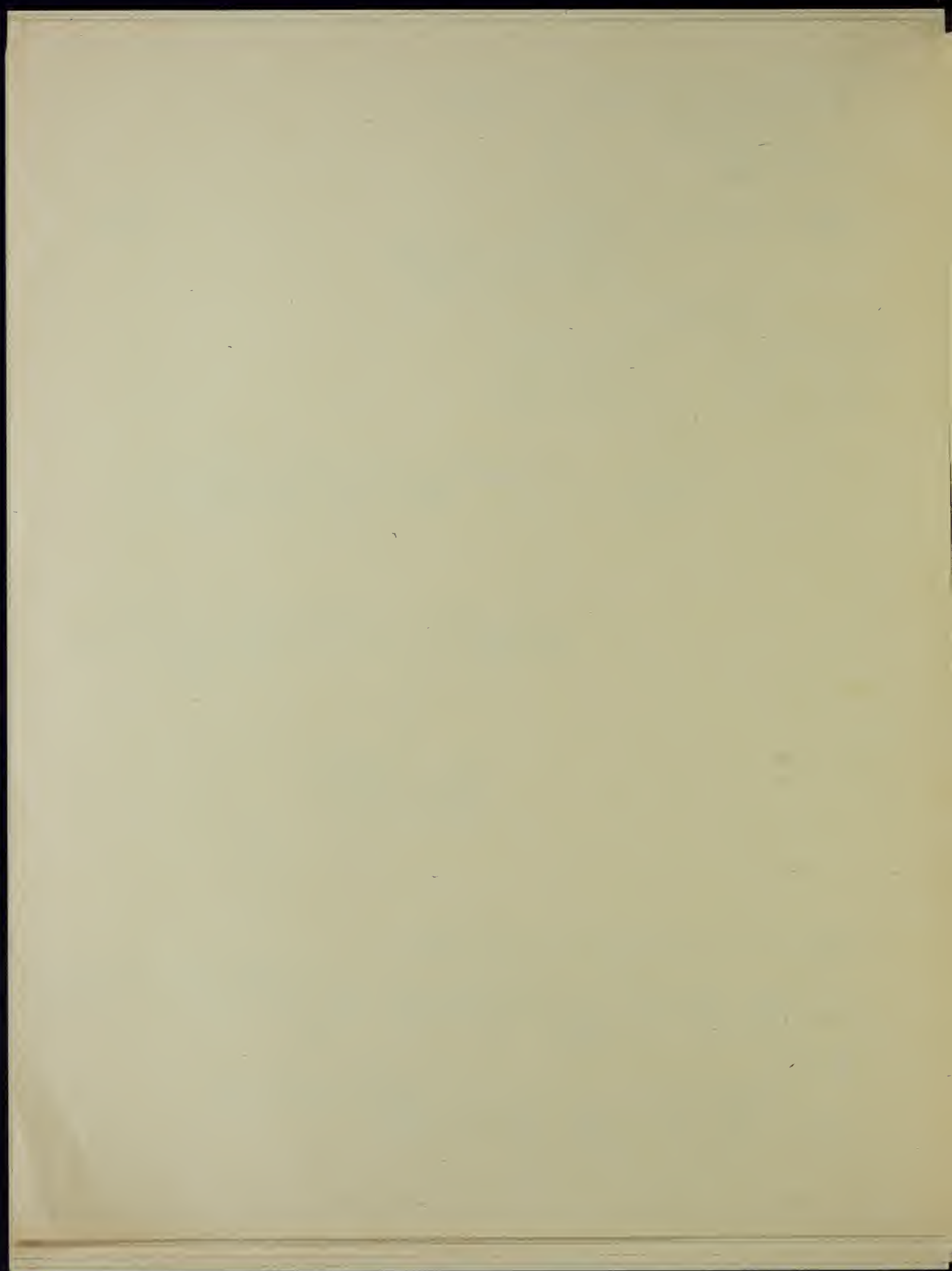
Officers on Half Pay 1 June 1806

David Breakenridge Enr. King's Rangers age 43 Johnston 2m 1783
Lieut. " " 50 " 1783

James

Confederation in Vermont, passed 26 Feb 1779

James Breakenridge of Bennington



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Haldimand Papers

Breakenridge

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Fort St June June 27 1780, at night.

The 5th (June?) David Breakenridge comes from Bennington. He has a Brother, an Officer in Major Rogers' Corps & wishes to follow his advice respecting the Corps. He is to join. (then aged 17)

B 160

St Johns 18 March 1783

Sir
I having Rec'd a Letter from one of my Brothers, acquainting me of my father's being in a very ill state of health asking "to go as a flag that I may have the happiness of seeing my dear father before he leaves this world."

18 Mar 1783

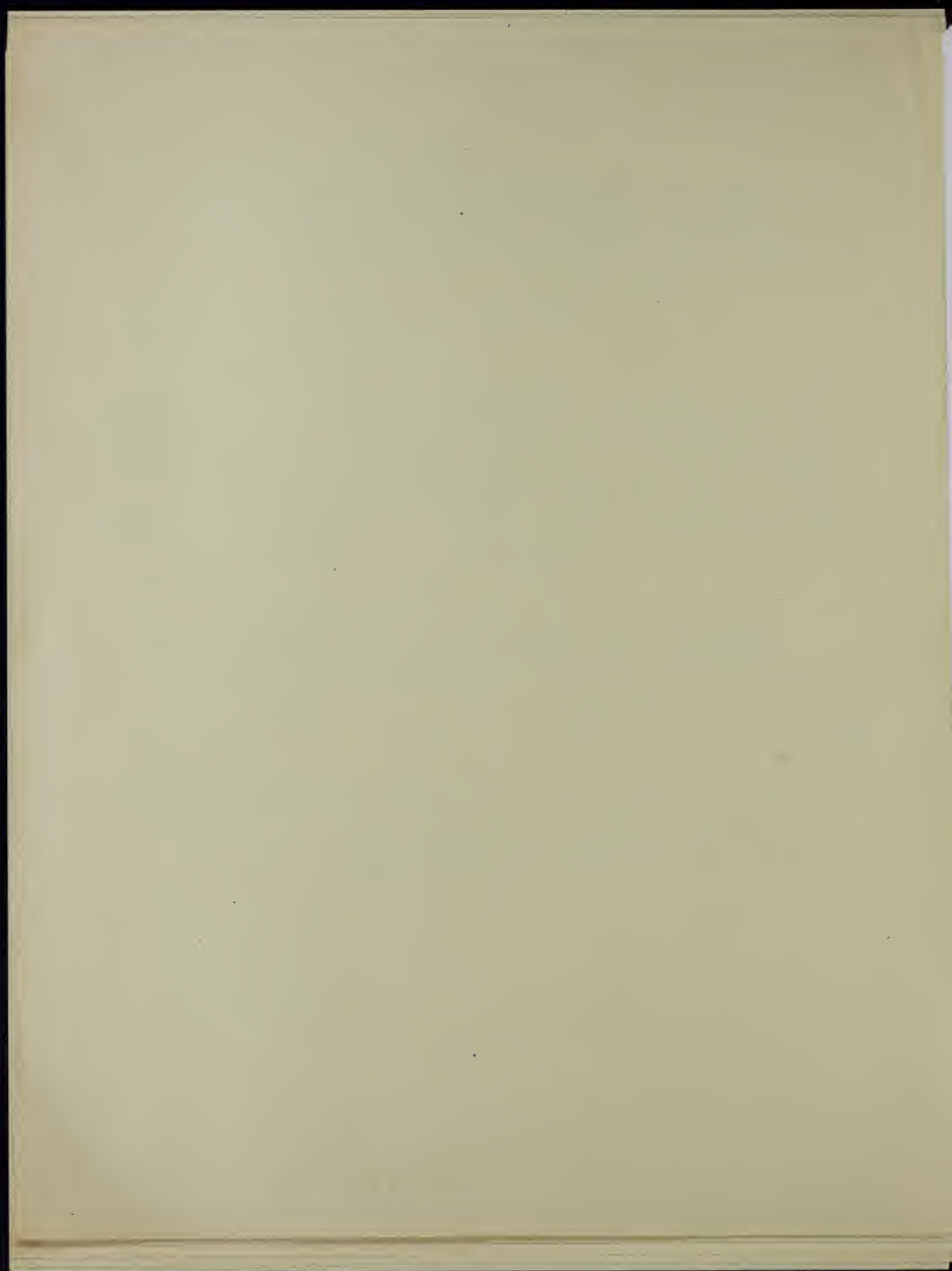
J. Breakenridge

Officers on Half Pay 1 June 1806

James Breakenridge	Lieut., King's Rangers,	age 50 ⁽¹⁷⁵⁶⁾	Johnstown in 1783
David	Ens.,	" 43 ⁽¹⁷⁶³⁾	" " 1783

Confiscations in Vermont, passed 26 Feb 1779

James Breakenridge Jr., of Bennington



Breckenridge Family History.

BRECKENRIDGE

Bennington Museum

2 Oct. 1963

Jacob Breckenridge was born in Scotland, no one knows where. He married in 1720, and about that time they crossed over to Ireland. From there the Breckenridge family sailed to America in 1723, and settled in Palmer, Mass.

His sons

William²
James² } removed to Ware.
George²
Francis² } stayed in Palmer.

The son,

James² married Mary Moore of Ware, and in 1761 they removed to Bennington, Vermont.

Children:

James³ joined the British in the Revolution and removed to Canada as a U.E. Loyalist. (S & D)
William³ (Lt. King's Rangers aged 50. of Johnstown, retired in 1783 Half Pay Officers June 1806) (b. 1756)
Francis³

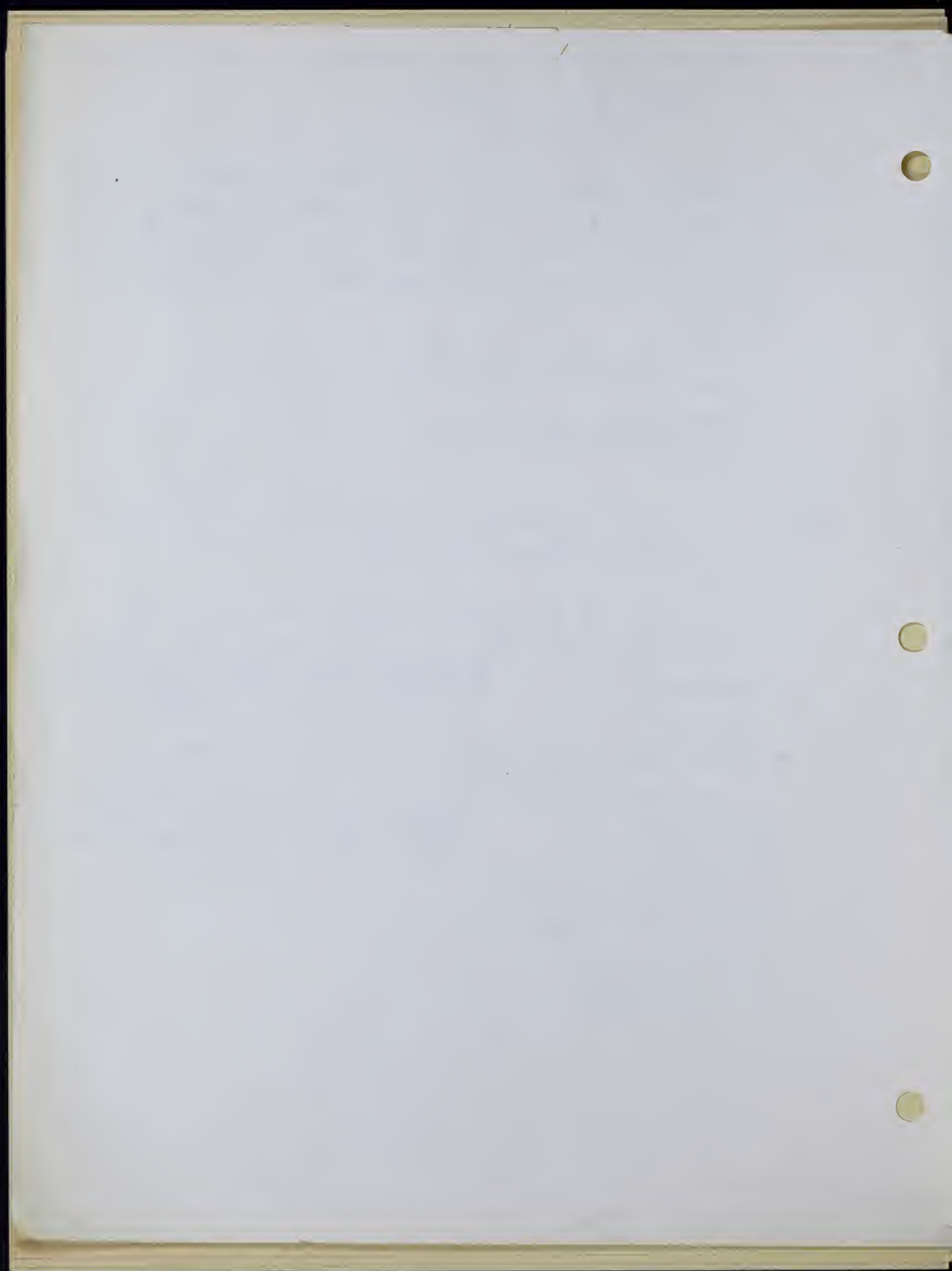
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Jennette³ Henderson

Isabella³ Hubbell

Esther³ Hineman

Mary³ McNeil.



Sons & Daughters of Loyalists.

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- Breakenridge, David, of Augusta (w Hester, da: of Saml Wright)
- ✓ son John of Augusta, born 11 May, 1789; married Mary W. Baldwin
25 Aug. 1816; died at Niagara 3 Apr. 1828. O.C. 28 Aug 1810.
 - .. David of Wolford O.C. 7 Mar. 1807
 - da. Mary, married Thomas Madden of Augusta .. 16 Feb. 1811
 - .. 16 July 1816
 - ✓ .. Jennet, married John L. Read of Augusta;
died in 1832 in 37th year .. 26 Mar. 1817
 - ✓ .. Sarah, married Paul Glasgow of Augusta .. 9 July 1823.
 - ✓ son George McKendry of Augusta .. 16 May 1839
 - ✓ .. Solomon of Augusta .. 6 Aug. 1840
 - ✓ da. Betsey, married John Dougall of Hallowell .. 17 Sept. 1823
 - ✓ .. Charlotte .. 18 May 1833
 - ✓ .. Eliza, married Samuel Thomas of Augusta;
died 21 June 1836, aged 30 years .. 8 Nov. 1833
 - ✓ son Francis A. of Augusta .. 7 Mar. 1833.
 - da. Electa .. 10 Jan. 1833
 - ✓ .. Harriet, married John Morey of
Elizabethtown .. 2 Mar. 1825
 - ✓ Orlana Families — Chadwick (11 children)
 - Breakenridge, James of Elizabethtown.
 - da. Eliza A. M. married James Chambers of
Elizabethtown .. 2 Jan. 1834
 - son Robert of Elizabethtown .. 8 Nov. 1832
 - .. James .. 23 July 1830
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- Lawrence, John of Augusta + Edwardsburg, married
Margaret Surtzer.
- da. Rebecca, married David Breakenridge, Jr., of
Augusta O.C. 7 July, 1802



Extracts from book entitled: "The Story of Dundas, being a History of the County of Dundas from 1784 to 1904," by J. Smyth Carter.

Conrad Coons (Kountz), a U. E. Loyalist, settled in concession 1, Matilda. His ancestors had emigrated from Germany, and settled in the Valley of the Hudson. His sons were Jasper, George, Jacob, John and Henry.

Jacob Coons married Magdalena Carman, and their family consisted of three sons and eight daughters. David, one of the sons, held a commission in the Dundas militia, first as ensign, next as lieutenant, and finally as captain. His wife was a daughter of Rev. D. A. Breakenridge, and granddaughter of Mrs. Philip Embury, whose remains are interred at the famous Blue Church cemetery. David Coons died February 28, 1865; and his wife on December 12, 1876. Of their family of eleven children, six survive, one of whom is Mrs. Henry Seeley, of Iroquois.

On the west side of St. James' (Anglican) Church, Morrisburg, Ontario, is a beautiful window representing "The Good Samaritan," in memory of D. A. Breakenridge.

At the Court of General Quarter Sessions held at Osnabruck, Ontario, on June 15, 1789, the names of Justus Sherwood and Ephraim Jones appear as magistrates. The name of David Breakenridge is listed amongst the Grand Jury which were empanelled.

Zopher Skinner settled along the St. Lawrence in Matilda. His wife was Abbey Locke. Their children were: James, Ormand, Joseph, Samuel, Charles, William, Mrs. McGriffith, Mrs. George W. Brouse, Mrs. Breakenridge, Sarah.

In 1848 medals commemorative of the battles at Detroit, Crysler's Farm and Chateauguay were struck by the British government. These were of silver, beautifully finished and engraved, each bearing the name of the soldier to whom it was presented. The following were awarded medals for service at Crysler's Farm: Charles Arkland, George Grant (sergeant), George Glass, Conrad Kintner, Joseph Langevin, Angus McKay, Louis Peltier, Guy Read, John Strader, Edward Shaver, John St. Etienne, Robert Thompson. From 1875 an annual pension of twenty dollars was given to the surviving militiamen of Canada who served during the war of 1812-14. At that time the age of the pensioners varied from 74 to 103 years. On September 26, 1895, the monument was unveiled on the Crysler battlefield. Of those present on that historic occasion not the least notable were Samuel Crysler, aged 90, and George Weaver, aged 91, who heard the roar of battle and witnessed some of the movements on that occasion eighty-two years previous.



Breakenridge Chas E., nat. of Pa 2d. Co & at his home in Vienna W. Va on
Xmas Day of heart attack

nursed by my Evadne M. Clark, da late Wm J Clark of Pierson

2 sons

Lt Col James D. C. Dr. of 1st Am. Army in Japanburg

Ens. S. R. Dr. of San Francisco fleet

id est.

Merle (Mrs J. D. Flynn) .. her husb. & U S S. Bears in the Pacific

Mrs Wm Ira Clark (nee Hart) & Pierson Hoop 2.4.1925 after illness & opⁿ

He had 2 children by 1st wife . 1

His Breakenridge, New Jersey.

Mrs W I Clark left Wed for Fairmont W Va to live with his
da Mrs Chas E. Breakenridge. Her husband is Auditor of Monongahela West
Penn. Public Service Co.

Mr W I Clark d. 28.2.1927 in 79th yr in ~~Pa~~ Amesbury Mass., &
his son Elmer. b 30 May 1847 on Royal St & removed to Pierson
27 yrs ago. Has da Mrs. Chas Breakenridge of Fairmont W Va.

Marriages

Harvey & Geminon d 27 30 May 1897 son Adva Sumner & Lavinia
married 28.12.1898 Breakenridge

Eliza Whittam





The United Empire Loyalists' Association of Canada

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N.B. Those Loyalists who have adhered to the Unity of the Empire, and joined the Royal Standard before the Treaty of Separation in the year 1783, and all their children, and their descendants by either sex, are to be distinguished by the following Capitals affixed to their names

U.E.

Alluding to their great principle
"The Unity of the Empire."

419 Besserer Street,
Ottawa, Canada. K1N 6B9
March 9th, 1974.

Sixtieth Anniversary of Incorporation by
Special Act of Parliament.

My dear Dr. Burleigh:-

The week-end for the annual convention of The United Empire Loyalists' Association of Canada is rapidly approaching, and I am confident that the entire membership is looking forward to an appropriate manner in which to mark the sixtieth anniversary. It is a well-known fact, however, that The United Empire Loyalists' Association of Ontario was incorporated under the Laws of Ontario in 1897. The Hon. John Beverley Robinson is listed as a past president for the year 1896, and he was followed subsequently by Dr. G. S. Ryerson.

I became a member of the Governor Simcoe Branch on October 16th, 1937, when Mr. Robert S. Johnston, U.E. (later to be named a Q.C.), was president of the Dominion Council, and the same gentleman was also in the identical office when I was honoured with a life membership on March 19th, 1947. I have in my possession The United Empire Loyalists' Association of Canada certificate of my cousin, the late Mrs. Murray Whiting Ferris of New York City, N. Y., which is dated October 2nd, 1930, and Major V. MacLean Howard, U.E., was the presiding officer.

It was during the years of World War II when I happened to meet Pte. Lawrence Roy Breakenridge of Picton, Ontario, and it has occurred to me that you might be able to assist me in locating this gentleman. His father was Richard James Breakenridge, the grandfather was David Breakenridge and the name of Solomon Breakenridge is recorded as his great-grandfather. My great-great-grandmother was Mrs. John Morey (Harriet and a daughter of Col. David Breakenridge), and she had a brother Solomon of Augusta who was granted land by Order-in-Council dated August 6th, 1840. It is quite possible that Solomon is the one and same relative in our family lineage.

I regret that you were not present at the regular meeting of the Dominion Council which was held on February 16th, but you will be welcomed at the various sessions that are scheduled for May 10-12.

It is in the meantime that I send personal regard and best wishes to you.

Faithfully yours,

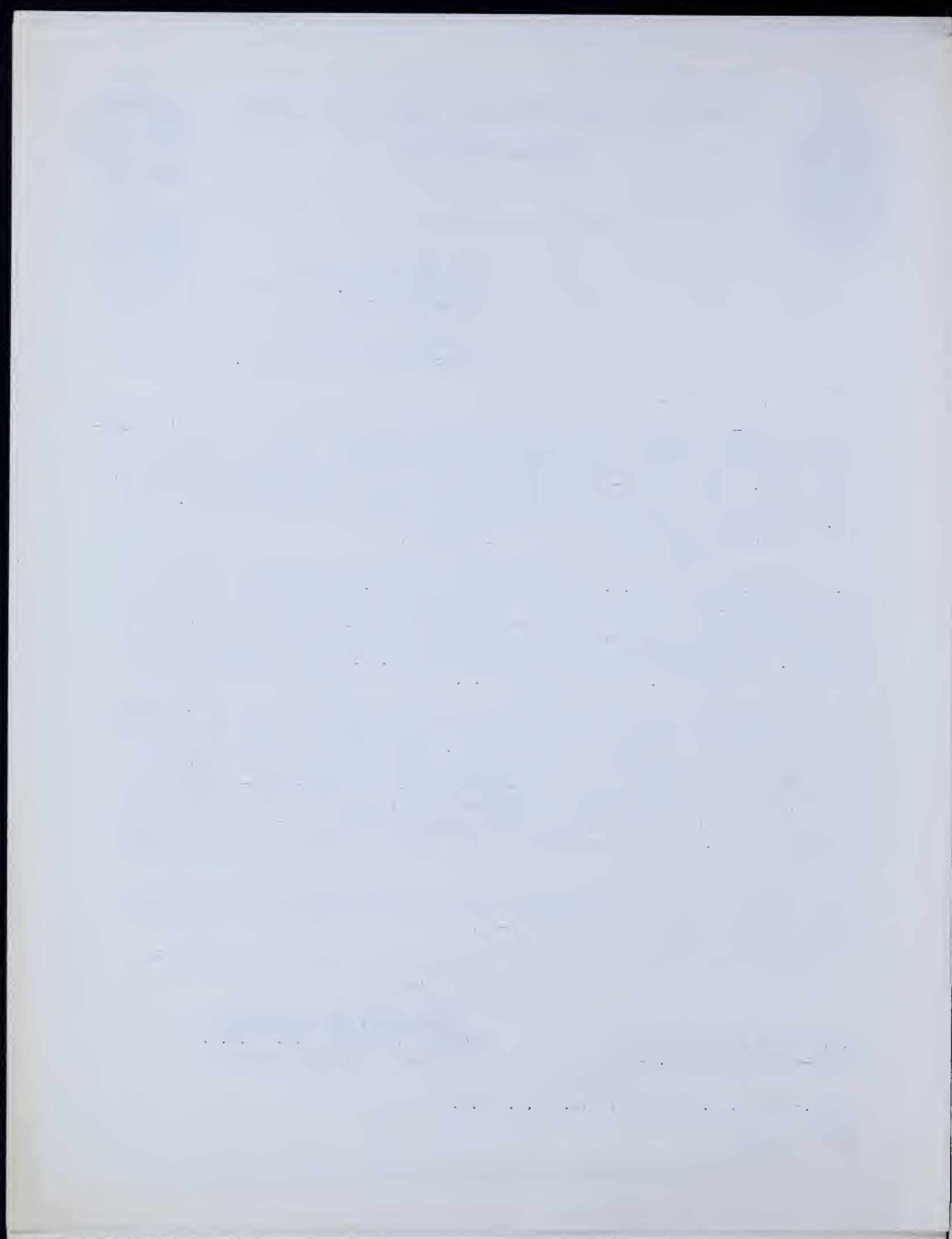
Howard W. Warner

(Howard W. Warner, U.E., K.L.J.)
President of Dominion Council.

P.S. - I am observing my
sixty-sixth birthday to-day.

H.W.

Lieut.-Col. H. C. Burleigh, U.E., M.D., C.M.,
Box 9,
Bath, Ontario.



The origin of our Loyalist families is a fascinating study, mainly because of the ~~various~~ varied national sources. There are English, Welsh, Scottish and Irish from the British Isles. Then, from the European continent come ^{French} ~~immigrants from~~ Dutch, ^{immigrants from} the many counties and duchies of France and Germany ^{Baltic} Danish, Swedish and Norwegian; some families speak of a minidegree of true Mediterranean blood, while others talk of true Norman ancestry and ^{relate} tales of Kieff and Sicily. There were ^{even} some of Negro blood who bore their part of the load. If any one family knew all the strains of blood in his veins, he would throw a series of fits before recovering his cool.

So whenever I undertake another family I stop to ponder. What is behind this loyalist. In many cases, as with the Breakwidge brothers, I feel at ease. There is true Scottish background, at least that's the indication. Nor have I any reason to dispute the point. The story of this family begins with

The story of this family begins with Jacob Breakenridge who was born in Scotland. It is assumed, and shortly after 1700, or thereabouts. He married about 1720, ~~about that~~ ^{and shortly} thereafter which ^{he} removed to Ireland, and in 1723 ^{went on} to America, where he located in Palmer, Mass. He ^X had four known sons. Two of them William and James removed to Ware in mid Massachusetts, while George and Francis remained in Palmer.

The son James ^{who had removed to Ware in 1727} married Mary Moore of Ware, and, in 1761, they removed to Bennington, Vermont; ^{he died 16 April 1783 at 62nd year. Mary died 16 Sept 1800 in her 71st year.} Their known children were

1. James, who joined General Burgoyne and removed to Canada as a Loyalist, or so-called Tory.
2. Francis who was made a prisoner in 1777, ^{but} eventually went to Canada.
3. David who also joined General Burgoyne and ^X ultimately removed to Canada.

4 Jonathan

5 Samuel

6 Jeannette, wife of Caleb Henderson, ^{of Arlington} ~~the~~ he joined Gen
Burgoyne's removal to Canada
thus becoming a U.E. loyalist.

7 Isabella Hubbell

8 Esther Hensman

9 Mary McNeil.

One memento of the Vermont Breakenridges
has had a tortuous existence since it was
published in 1684, and bequeathed to Ensign
David Breakenridge, the Loyalist. This ancient
tome, which I discovered in ~~an~~ antique dealers
shelves, and which has come to rest on a collector's
book shelf, has this august title page:-

MEMO . . .



Ortho-Novum^{*} Tablets

in the "DIALPAK^{*}" Dispenser
. . . to help her remember



*Trademark

Clark Diary

1857, Dec 22

Mrs. Mary Madden, widow for 22 years of the late
Rev Thomas Madden, and daughter of the late
David Brekenridge, Esq., of Augusta, died at
Peebles, aged 66 years & 8 months
(born Apr 1791)

Comm. Methodist - Alfred Dredge

Rev Thomas Madden died in Augusta U.S.,
22 May 1854

Had a daughter Hester.

MEMO . . .

James Bond... 2...
1776
Bond... 17... 1776



Ortho-Novum* Tablets

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... to help her remember



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Breckenridge Family History

Bennington Museum, 2 Oct 1963.

Jacob Breckenridge was born in Scotland no one knows where. He married in 1720 & about that time they crossed over to Ireland. From there the Breckenridge family sailed to America in 1723 and settled in Palmer, Mass.

His sons, William and James, removed to Ware, ^{and Mass}

George & Francis stayed in Palmer.

The son James married Mary Moore of Ware, and, in 1761, they removed to Bennington, Vermont.

Their children were

1756 James, joined the British in the Revolution and removed to Canada as U.E.L. (Sons + Daughters)

William

Francis Prisoner in 1777. To Canada after the Peace

1763 David, joined the British in the Revolution and removed to Canada as U.E.L. (Sons + Daughters)

Jonathan.

Daniel. mar. Hannah

Jennette Henderson (Caleb?)

Isabella Hubbell (Aaron, Eliahah or David?)

Esther Hineman.

Mary McNeil.

DAR Jan 1951

Breckenridge-Moore - James Breckenridge, son of James, who came to Ware, Mass., 1727, mar. Mary Moore; d. Apr 16, 1783. 64 years. Mary d. Sept. 16, 1800 in "76th year". Would like information concerning time and place of his birth, time of marriage and birth of Mary Moore. Also time of birth of his sons and information of maiden name and time of birth of wife Hannah. - Mrs. Melvin L. Clark, 1029 W. Street, Marysville, Calif.



Bennington May 1784

Rec^d from my father's Estate

David Breakenridge

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Jan^y 14 1789

Elizabethtown

The Theory of the Earth: Containing
an Account of the Original of the
Earth and all the General
Changes which it hath already
undergone

or


As To Undergo.

Till the Consummation of all Things

The Two First Books
Concerning The Deluge
and
Concerning Paradise

London

Printed by R. Norton for Walter
Kittilby at the Bishops Head in
St. Paul's Church-Yard 1684

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Rebound April 1886
by W. J. Gage & Co Toronto



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Incorporated by Special Act of Parliament of the Dominion of Canada

Chapter 146. 4-5, Geo. V. 1914, 27th day of May, 1914.

Sir Guy Carleton Branch

Charter granted 14th day of April 1962

OTTAWA, ONTARIO

154 Waller Street,
Ottawa 2, Canada.
March 17th, 1969.



N.B. Those Loyalists who have adhered to the Unity of the Empire and joined the Royal Standard before the Treaty of Separation in the year 1783 and all their children and their descendants by either sex, are to be distinguished by the following capitals affixed to their names
U. E.
*Alluding to their great principle
The Unity of the Empire.*

Lt.-Col. H. C. Burleigh, U.E., M.D., C.M.,
Box 9,
Bath, Ontario.

Dear Dr. Burleigh:-

I have conducted a genealogical research work for many years in a quandry about the surname of my great-great-great-grandmother who married Col. David Breakenridge, U.E., and I now wish to consult your good services in the quest for accurate data for the family chart.

The ancestor in question died on June 8, 1808, in her forty-second year, but the tombstone at her grave in the Blue Church Cemetery (near Prescott, Ontario) only records the date and the name of Hester. However, the enclosed copy of my letter to Mrs. Gordon Lapp dated November 1st, 1965, will indicate that there was another contemporary David Breakenridge who was prominent in the Methodist Church like the venerable United Empire Loyalist forefather from Bennington, Vermont. It was in this latter connection that I discovered his wife was a daughter of Margaret (Switzer) Embury and her second husband, John Lawrence. The enclosed page which lists extracts from the book entitled "The Story of Dundas, being a History of the County of Dundas from 1784 to 1904," by J. Smyth Carter, mentions various incidents which I do not think appertain to my relative who was known as David and not D. A. Incidentally, I possess an original parchment which is signed by the former.

You will notice that the Rev. J. William Lamb has stated that he discovered a document which bears the name of Hester Breakenridge, a daughter of Samuel Wright, Esq. It was within recent days that I also acquired a copy of an interesting document from the Public Archives of Canada, and you will observe that the information is identical with the material which was found by the reverend gentleman. This historical paper that I am also sending to you happened to be located amongst Upper Canada Land Petitions in B. Bundle, Miscellaneous 181 and Reel C-1635.

It would be conferring a favour if you could identify Hester (Wright) Breakenridge as the wife of my great-great-great-grandfather, Col. David Breakenridge, and, consequently, she would be a sister of Lois who married Samuel Heck. The names of Samuel Wright, Samuel Wright (Senior) and Samuel Wright (Junior) appear on pages 278 and 279 in the volume entitled "The Centennial of the Settlement of Upper Canada by the United Empire Loyalists, 1784-1884," and they may prove to be another U. E. L. link in my lineal descent.

I shall be delighted if you are able to answer the riddle that has puzzled me for several years and, in the meantime, I wish to express sincere and personal regards to you, Sir.

Faithfully yours,

Howard W. Warner

(Howard W. Warner, U.E.)

Past President of Sir Guy Carleton Branch
and

Second Vice-President of Dominion Council.

Enclosures 3.



C-O-P-Y

154 Waller Street,
Ottawa 2, Canada.
November 1st, 1965.

Dear Mrs. Lapp:-

Your last letter addressed to me was received some time ago, but in the interval period I have been able to accumulate fragmentary information which deals with the Breakenridge family.

Our genealogical records and line of descent do not list David Breakenridge (Jr.), and I am at a loss to know where he enters into the picture. My great-great-great-grandfather, Col. David Breakenridge, came from Bennington, Vermont, in company with his brother James and father whose name was also James. In Volume II of "Ontarian Families - Genealogies of United Empire Loyalist and Other Pioneer Families of Upper Canada" which was published by Edward Marion Chadwick in 1894 there is a definite reference to the foregoing statement. I find no listing of Mary, however, who was the eldest daughter of Col. David Breakenridge and married to the Rev. Thomas Madden in 1810. This reverend gentleman was the minister of Bridge Street Church in Belleville, Ontario, in 1820, and I should like to locate the descendants by this marriage at the first opportunity. One of the accompanying pages will also convey the evidence that Col. David Breakenridge was in charge of the services in the ministry of the same church six years later.

My wife and I spent some time during the past month in the State of Vermont, U. S. A., where we unearthed dates appertaining to the Breakenridge and Morey lineage. The old cemeteries in the Strafford area and Bennington yielded a scanty list of burials and I am unable to place them on the chart that is in preparation due to insufficient proof. A Masonic friend came to our rescue and drove us in his motor-car to the old Breakenridge farm which is a distance of three miles in a westerly direction from Bennington. A monument is located at the road-side and near the site of the original home, and we copied the inscription from the plaque that was affixed to the marker by the Bennington Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. I am enclosing herewith the wording, as well as the epitaphs from the tombstones, and I feel sure you will appreciate the stirring days prior to the coming of the United Empire Loyalists to Canada. We drove through the community by the name of Arlington which is situated between Rutland and Bennington, and arrived at the latter place in the midst of a torrential rainstorm.

There is an apparent "question mark" hovering over the maiden name of Hester, the wife of Col. David Breakenridge. I received a letter from the Rev. J. William Lamb, the United Church minister at Cataragui, Ontario, immediately previous to our annual vacation, and the following is an excerpt from his communication: "I was interested to see your note about Col. David Breakenridge's wife, Hester Lawrence. I came across a document which mentioned a Hester Breakenridge, 'the daughter of Samuel Wright, Esq.'. This was in the Docket of Grants in the Eastern District of U. C., in the Provincial Archives, which lists the various patents granted, by year. This Hester received a patent for lot 14, 4th Concession of Wolford Twp. in 1801. Which Breakenridge would she be married to? She would be a sister of Samuel Heck's wife Lois (Wright). Samuel Wright, U.E., settled in Elizabethtown. I could not find Hester listed among John Lawrence's family, but my sources may not be complete."

And there the matter rests! I am inclined to maintain that the Rev. Anson Green, D.D., was correct when he wrote this item in 1877: "My colleague, the Rev. David Breakenridge, is kind and industrious, but, like myself, is a new recruit in the ministry. He is blessed with a charming wife. Her maiden name was Lawrence, but her mother was once the wife of the celebrated Philip Embury."

With personal regards to you and every success in your historical research work, and looking forward to an opportune moment to work out the quandry, I am,

Yours sincerely,

(Signed)

(Howard W. Warner)

Enclosures 3.

Mrs. Gordon Lapp,
1455 Leda Avenue,
Port Credit, Ontario.



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